AGENDA

1. *Call to Order*
2. *Approval of Minutes – November 17, 2022*
3. *Library Reports*
   a. Report of Director
   c. Statistical and Other Reports- Sheryl
   d. Report of District Consultant
4. *Board and Committee Reports*
   a. Report of County Council Liaison
   b. Report of Friends and ERLF
5. *Unfinished Business*
   a. Electronic vote – motion by Martha to approve changes presented at 11/17 meeting with grammatical revisit at later date.
6. *New Business*
7. *Adjournment*
8. *Appendix*
   a. Announcements-
   b. News Articles

*Amy Marie Daugherty*
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   a. Report of Director

   **Connections**
   **Great Lakes Odyssey (GLO) Radio Hour Lecture Series**
   GLO is a grass roots initiative started a few years ago to build the Great Lakes regional identity. This series is a collaboration of 8 states and 2 provinces. ECPL was offered a place at the international table to collaborate with scientists, marine biologists, environmental artists, Indigenous leaders, industry leaders and cultural leaders to create a working partnership to promote the Great lakes region.
   ECPL will begin to converse with libraries in Michigan, Ohio, New York, Wisconsin, and Canada about sharing programs related to the Great Lakes history and trends. The existing lecture series is being considered for presentation at the various locations. Current topic being discussed involves the development of new programs to reach patrons across the region.

   **December Programming**
   This week is the last week of regular scheduled story times for the remainder of the year. Story Time will resume on January 9.

   **Holiday Storytime** - The Blasco library is hosting 2 holiday storytimes the week of December 19th. Hanukkah Storytime will occur on Tuesday, December 20th and Christmas Storytime on Wednesday, December 21st. Both events will be held in the Blasco Storytime Room from 10am-11am. Each event will include stories, songs, crafts and more. No registration required.

   **Collections**
   **Baker & Taylor Cyber Attack**
   Baker & Taylor is the main vendor used for all library book acquisitions. All ordering was recently shut off due to a cyber-attack. Though they are back up and running, this caused a major backlog of ordering and billing for the 4th quarter. All 2022 orders are placed and the majority of the invoices were sent over to Finance this week for payment. We apologize to Finance for the large amount of invoices however, it was not in our control. In order to receive State funding, 12% of the library budget must be used for collection purchases and processing.

   **Capacity**
   **ECPL domain server upgrade**
   All ECPL locations will have no access to Polaris (library platform) or and shared files on Wednesday, December 14 while the library server is transferred to the Erie County domain platform. While down, staff will have to use an excel spreadsheet to manually keep track of patron check outs. This should hopefully be up and running later in the day. This upgrade will not affect public internet PCs but patrons will not be able to access their accounts online or make credit card payments.

   Please see attached
   c. Statistical and Other Reports - Sheryl
November 2022 Statistics

Numbers Snapshot

- **396** new cards issued, including **62** e-cards
- **3,873** WiFi logins, **2,643** public PC logins across locations
- **30,328** patron visits, **17,758** at Blasco and **12,570** at branches and Bookmobile

Circulation

![November Circulation Comparison Graph]

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d. Report of District Consultant

District Services Report as of December 13, 2022
Updates for ECPL LAB Report
Submitted by Jessica Church, District Consultant

2023 County Coordination Aid
In 2023, the Consortium looks to expand its projects look to continue:
- Sharing Polaris
- Sharing IT services
- Upgrading technology on a cyclical basis
- Contributing to OverDrive and Hoopla
- E-Rate discounts and processes for Internet

With increased funds from the State, the Consortium will strive to include initiatives such as:
- Marketing for LibraryCall
- Increasing awareness about libraries
- E-Rate discounts for networking projects at one or two of the independents

The Consortium libraries include:
- Albion Area Public Library
- Corry Public Library
- Erie County Public Library
- McCord Memorial Library (North East)
- Rice Avenue Community Public Library (Girard)
- Union City Public Library
- Waterford Public Library

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Amy Marie Daugherty

December 13, 2022 | Erie Times-News (PA)
Section: Obituaries
484 Words | Readability: Lexile: 1360, grade level(s): >12
Read News Document

Our beloved Amy Marie Daugherty passed away on December 11, 2022, from breast cancer at age 64. She was the daughter of Margaret Simpson Daugherty and the late Lawrence R. Daugherty. Amy was raised in Oil City, Pennsylvania with her six brothers and sisters.

Amy attended Saint Stephen’s Elementary School and Venango Christian High School. She obtained a bachelor’s degree in English from Gannon University and a master’s degree in Library Science from University of Pittsburgh. Amy retired from the Erie County Library in 2022. During her 35-year career she served as a clerk, branch manager, and drove the Bookmobile throughout Erie County. She later became a Children’s librarian where she enjoyed Story Time with young children and was fondly known as Miss Amy.

Amy was an avid reader, lover of poetry and had a special affinity for nature and animals of all kinds. Her passion for reading included participation in a book club for over 20 years. Amy spent many hours riding and caring for her own horses, and she was a member of the Erie Hunt and Saddle Club where she also served on the Board. She was a lifelong learner with a vast knowledge of nature. She loved animals, including the many pets she adopted over the years.

Amy’s life was like a beautiful tapestry woven together by her caring, gentle nature, and her free spirit. The rich and colorful threads of her tapestry were the relationships she formed with her family and relatives, book club friends, library friends, neighbors, school friends, horse world friends, and all the friends she made through the years. We know that her loving spirit will remain in all of us.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lawrence; brother-in-law, Gregory Smalley; and adopted brother, John Williams (J.W.).

Amy is survived by her mother, Margaret; her siblings: Ann (Cindy), Patrick (Mary Kay),
David (Kelli), Mary M. Walters (Dennis, Jessup), Christine Knox (Michael, Melissa, Eli, Adam), Audrey Smalley (Kimberly, Stacey, Angela); multiple generations of beloved nieces and nephews; and her two cats, Raymond and Rudy.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the health care professionals who cared for Amy at AHN Cancer Institute and AHN St. Vincent, and the Visiting Nurse Association Hospice.

Family and friends are warmly invited call at the Dusckas-Taylor Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 5151 Buffalo Rd. (at Hannon Rd. in Harborcreek) on Thursday, December 15th, from 3 to 7 PM and are further invited to attend a funeral service there on Friday at 11:15 AM, which will be livestreamed. Following the service, Amy will be laid to rest at Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery. The livestream link of the service can be found on the funeral home website on Amy’s obituary page. https://www.dusckas-taylorfuneralhome.com/obituaries

Memorial contributions may be made to Orphan Angels Cat Sanctuary and Adoption Center, 5439 West Lake Road, Erie, PA 16505 or Hope on Horseback, PO Box 483, Waterford, PA 16441-0483.

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